

#### **News for Immediate Release**

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# DWR Continues Wabana Street Cleanup, Resident Assistance in Fremont

**SACRAMENTO** -- The Department of Water Resources (DWR) today continues its cleanup and assistance to residents on Wabana Street in Fremont. DWR's efforts follow the unintentional release of water from a pipeline Friday night. The pipeline is part of the State Water Project aqueduct system.

The release was stopped after two hours. There were no injuries. Several residents temporarily displaced from their homes, returned yesterday morning. The cause of the release remains under investigation.

There was some flooding of backyards and several garages. DWR is on-site working to assess the extent of damage and to provide cleanup and any assistance residents may need.

### **Background:**

At approximately 11 p.m. Friday night, (Feb. 3), it was discovered that water had been unintentionally released from the pipeline at mile 33.8 in Fremont, west of I-680.

The release flooded approximately 15 backyards and four garages along Wabana Street.

DWR staff responded to the scene shortly after midnight Saturday morning (Feb. 4), secured the area with assistance of the Fremont fire and police departments, and remains on-site. Clean-up crews are working on Wabana Street and DWR staff is providing assistance to residents.

There are no water delivery interruptions from the pipeline which delivers water to the Santa Clara Valley Water District.

For more information call Ted Thomas or see http://www.water.ca.gov/.

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